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I hereby certify that a response for the above noted case is being transmitted to Examiner P. Chin at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (Fax No. (703) 872-9302) on February 20, 2003.

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Patent Applicant: Lewin et al.

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Assistant Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

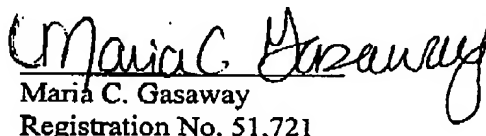
The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (copy enclosed) indicated that the Applicant's amendment submitted February 4, 2003 is unacceptable for failure to provide a clean version of the replacements paragraph(s)/section(s).

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment was submitted using the Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted (Signed 1/31/03). This was posted in the Office of Patent Legal Administration; Pre-OG Notices.

Accordingly, Applicants believe that the amendment requirement have been complied with and request this objection be withdrawn. If Applicants have overlooked an additional requirement, the Office is requested to contact Applicants' representative to clarify this matter.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge all necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0658.

Respectfully submitted,


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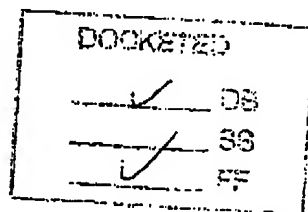
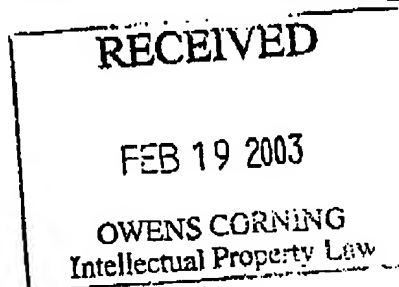
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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

The amendment filed on 2/4/03 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on September 8, 2000 (see 65 Fed. Reg. 54603, Sept. 8, 2000, and 1238 O.G. 77, Sept. 19, 2000). In order for the amendment to be compliant, applicant must supply the following omissions or corrections in response to this notice.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 1.121 (APPLICANT NEED NOT RE-SUBMIT THE ENTIRE AMENDMENT):

- ☒ 1. A clean version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s) is required. See 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).
- ☐ 2. A marked-up version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s) is required. See 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii).
- ☐ 3. A clean version of the amended claim(s) is required. See 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i).
- ☐ 4. A marked-up version of the amended claim(s) is required. See 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii).

Explanation: _____

(LIE: Please provide specific details for correction to assist the applicant. For example, "the clean version of claim 6 is missing.")

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/olia/pbg/sampleaf.pdf>. A condensed version of a sample amendment format is attached.

- ☐ **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT:** Unless applicant supplies the omission or correction to the preliminary amendment in compliance with revised 37 CFR 1.121 noted above within ONE MONTH of the mail date of this letter, examination on the merits may commence without entry of the originally proposed preliminary amendment. This notice is not an action under 35 U.S.C. 132, and this ONE MONTH time limit is not extendable.
- ☒ **AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL ACTION:** Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction noted above in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Nava Chapman
Legal Instruments Examiner (LIE)

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